Rebukes Indiana Leader Who Heads Movement for Separate Political Action.

CALLS IDEA FALLACIOUS

In Bitter Denunciation He Says It Would Be Playing Game of Enemies.

Spirital to THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD. WASHINGTON, Feb. 22. — Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, denounces in emphatic terms the proposal to organize a separate labor party in a letter ad-Haute, president of the Indiana State Labor party, the text of which was made public to-night. The letter reads:

By what right do you assume to declare the work and the policy of the American Federation of Labor to be impractical? Surely the results achieved in the interests of the workers demonstrate the utter fallacy of your as-

By your declaration you assert the practicability of the course you declare you will pursue. What experience have you had with your political party upon which to base so absurd a claim?

Probing Political Virtues.

Forsooth, some men understand not only that which is charged, but the virtue which is proclaimed of political, financial honesty and dishonesty. Perthorough investigation of political and financial virtue may be a proper subject of inquiry after a political party shall have been in existence more than

Of this one thing you may rest as-sured, that the day of reckoning is at and for all of those who are in antagenism to the cause of labor, and for who are subtle and equally guilty even though they clothe their actions in the robes of pretended friendship.

When you shall have learned the the cause for which our movement stands you may become penitent for the gross injustice you have done by your pretention and your course.

The effect of a separate political labor party can only be disastrous to the wage earners of our country, and to the interests of all forward looking peo-The votes that would go to a moor party candidate would in the absence ch candidate go to the best man in the flaid. In no case would they go to

There can be no hope for success of labor party candidates. The effect, therefore, of a political labor party will be to defeat our friends and to elect our

Would Please Foes of Labor.

Labor can look upon the formation of political labor party only as an act detrimental to the interests of labor, and exactly in line with that which is most ardently desired by those who seek to oppress labor.

The welfare of American humanity demands in this hour of national crisis that there be success at the polls. This is no time for experimenting with po-litical theories which are proved false at the outset. The workers of America must use the tactics of success. They must have results.

esults will not be obtained by injecting a labor party, so-called, into the

These who are determined to be blied to the facts of the present and past will of course rush on to disaster and calamity. This the American labor ement will not do. It rejects and diates the fallacies of blind theor-and will have nothing to do with those treacherous follies that are suited only to the purposes of labor's enemica. Your telegram is an affront to the hor movement and an assault upon the ents of that great body of Ameriwho are determined that the preson campaign shall result, not in the destruction of our liberties, but in the ning of the way to national progress and the enlargement of opportunities for human welfare, safety and happiness."

EDWARDS NOT "WET" TO SEEK PRESIDENCY

Says Dry Amendment Is Excuse to Bryan to 'Come Back.'

Sal to THE SUN AND NEW YORK HEBALD. ATLANTIC CITT, Feb. 22.—Gov. Ed-ward I. Edwards announced to-day that ward I. Edwards announced to-day that although he is going to carry the fight on the Elghteenth Amendment to the San Franisco convention he does not in-tend to make that fight to further his own aspirations for the Presidency. He

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insisted his chief object is to save the nation from a prolonged dry spell.

To a representative of THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD Mr. Edwards said he had given no serious thought to reports of his candidacy. He displayed more interest when he was asked to comment on William Jennings Bryan and the wet issue.

comment on William Jennings Bryan and the wet issue.

"The national probibition amendment served as an excuse for Mr. Bryan to try to come back," he replied. "This talk of 'Bryan's State' is a mistake. Mr. Bryan has no State. He has not voted in Nebraska for two "ears. He represents only the 50 cent dollar man, if there are any more of hem left. Oh, yes, he also represents grape juice. He is the prid agent of the Anti-Saloon League. He will not split the party."

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The Governor attended a conference of party leaders here to-day. It is regarded certain that he will be named on the delegation to the national convention.

Among others mentioned are Thomas B. Martin Secretary of State; Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City; Prosecutor John Milton of Jersey City, and Prosecutor Joseph Stricker of Middlesex county.

Bible Class Dines To-night.

The Young Men's Bible Class of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church will hold its twenty-third annual dinner to-night a separate labor party in a letter ad-in the Hotel Pennsylvania. The speak-dressed to William Mitchell of Terre ers will be Gov. Smith. Franklin K. Lane, Secretary of the Interior; Dr. Alexis Carrel of the Rockefeller Institute, Augustus Thomas and Sherman Rogera.



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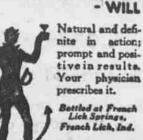


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## VICTORY HALL

## A Utilitarian Accessible Monument

To All Who Died or Served in the Late War

### Approves but Proceeds Independently of Mayor's Memorial Committee

Gen. George W. Wingate, president of Victory Hall Association, tells what a group of men and women, prompted wholly by unselfish and patriotic motives, propose to do in establishing a Memorial in Honor of the Heroes of the War, and, at the same time, provide New York citizens with a building which, with its many departments and attractions, will be forever a credit and benefit to the greatest city in the world.

February 19, 1920.

Mayor's Memorial Committee, City Hall, New York. Attention, Col. Rodman Wanamaker, Chairman. Dear Sirs:

(1) The attention of our Executive Committee has been called to the fact that the Victory Hall plans for the erection of a patriotic and utilitarian memorial on the block at the southeast corner of Park Avenue and 42nd Street have been listed as one of the ideas entered in the public

competition of the Mayor's Memorial Committee as No. 28. While we are in most thorough sympathy with the ideas, as we understand them, of the Mayor's Memorial Committee, yet as our objective seems to be quite different and in no wise in conflict, we respectfully ask that the entry of our dea, made obviously by inadvertence, may be omitted from the list and not to be regarded as before your committee for competition or otherwise than as information of what we contemplate.

It is true I have written a letter to your committee and have appeared before it, but merely to advise you of what a group of citizens had been doing for the last six months and more in organizing an association and in making a study of what seemed to be to them a proper tribute to those who had lost their lives in the war, to be erected at the center of accessibility from the point of view of transportation as well as the five boroughs, not only for the members of the American Legion, but all citizens who might choose to gather there from time to time in the great auditorium for civic

Our plan involves that this building should be constructed by subscriptions from the people of the city, rich and poor and irrespective of the amount of anyone's financial means, and particularly that the time to do it is now when the incidents of the war are fresh in the minds of the public and when those whose sons and other relatives served and died on the other side are here.

(2) It is well for us at this time to call to your attention the aims and purposes of the Victory Hall Association so that hereafter there can be no misunderstanding.

The group of men and women who stand behind this Association, who founded it and incorporated it, have no desire to enter into competition with any other publicspirited citizens who desire to accomplish something for the welfare of New York, or who feel it their duty, as we feel it our duty, to erect a memorial to our honored dead.

At the 'nception o' the movement for which we stand sponsors, we carefully investigated the activities of other groups n other cities throughout the United States. We found that the National Fine Arts Federations and the American Institute of Architects from their national headquarters had issued very specific instructions governing the procedure of bodies such as ours.

We felt it our duty to be guided by the advices of the most eminent authorities in this country, and so we followed explicitly the instructions and the advice that we obtained from what we believe to be the most distinguished and able leaders in painting, in sculpture and in architecture and formally constituted and generally recognized bodies.

The American Fine Arts Federation distinctly advises that the first consideration in the erection of any memorial is to carefully consider the best type of memorial to be erected in any particular place; secondly, to be careful to select an available site that shall be the very heart and center of the city in which the memorial is to be placed. The American Institute of Architects distinctly states that competitions are to be avoided, if possible, if it be possible to obtain the services of the proper architects, sculptors and painters by direct employment

Following the above considerations, which we, after exhaustive discussion and areful investigation and mature deliberat on, thoroughly approve, we decided to build a building that should be an everlasting monument to our heroic dead; that would serve in the years and centuries to come as a symbol of the ideals and the aspirations that led the men and women of New York City to offer their lives and make the supreme sacrifice. We felt it our duty and our privilege, irrespective of what others might accomplish, to insur the building of such a monument as we felt should be a worthy expression of our gratitude to those who died.

We felt that the best expression of this sentiment could be obtained by the erection o a great aud torium in the very heart of the city that would serve every man and woman in this city; this auditorium to be a great central forum of Greater New York, where not alone distinguished orators of international reputation could be heard, but where great debates could take place and civic, state and national meetings could be held for the benefit of the community at large; a rallying point for all the people in times of peace and war, in joy and sorrow.

We felt that New York was the mus cal center of the new world and that this great auditorium should be so constructed as to serve the purposes of music. Bearing in mind the important problem of physical welfare of our youth, we felt that this great auditorium should contain a place set aside or athletics, so that the youth of our city could be inspired and the spirit o emulation could be promulgated among our youth and the ideal of the strong mind and the clean, hea thy body encouraged. There will a so be rifle ranges and a drill hall in the building. We felt that the city needed a grea educational exhibition hall for the benefit of our industries and commerce, and we incorporated such a hall in the plans of the building.

In memory of the dead, we felt it incumbent upon us to place the name of every man and woman in the Army, Navy, Marines, Auxiliary Forces and such members of those welfare associations and organizations that have died, each and every one engraven upon the walls of the

bui ding, with the unit from whence they came. Besides this, as a great central feature, we propose to build a hall to the glory of our Allies, where the statues and works and a complishments of their leaders may be a heritage for the citizens of this city in the years to come. The Hall of Memory, which will symbolize and be the inner shrine of our whole edifice, is to be incorporated in the building. This will be a great hall or crypt cut out of the iving rock, dignified, solemn and worthy o those who died, and here will burn upon an altar a light or symbol that will exist forevermore.

We desire to incorporate in the plans of the building, furthermore, a great meeting hall, which will serve the members of the American Legion and their societies and other civic groups, properly lit, so that it may also be used as an exhibition hall for works of art and public welfare, and we have planned many rooms for the use of the different military organizations of past wars and the Great War for the benefit of the American Legion and similar so-

The building being of this type and character, we felt it absolutely essential that it should be in the very heart and center of this great city, and, therfore, we selected Pershing Square and the adjoining property to the rear as the site of this building. We do not propose to ask the taxpayers for one cent. We propose to purchase the property and pay for it. We are raising the money for the erection of the build ing and its maintenance and we propose to pay taxes.

(3) After careful consideration we also concluded that the site in question is the very best that could be selected for the purpose, for the reason that it is in the centre of railroad transportation, so that it can be reached for a single fare from all parts of the boroughs, thus enabling those who use it, especially the children of our public schools, whose athletic and other meetings are to be accommodated in it, to do so for a single fare. That it has the advantage of having two levels, that on 42nd Street, upon which the Exhibition Hall on the first story will front, the rent from which is to go largely towards maintaining the building, and the second on the Park Avenue Espanade, from which entrance can be had through the triumphal arch that will form the front of the building to the great Convention Hall, which will be on that level, thus enabling the latter to be used without interfering with the former and doing away with the necessity for the many stalrs which would otherwise be required to reach the Convention Hall. It is also the portal of New York, where a very large proportion of those who enter the city will see it when they come from the Grand Centra. Depot, as well as from the lines terminating from New Jersey when and, as is expected, the Hudson Tubes may be extended to 42nd Street. Moreover, the building will be of such a nature as to harmonize with the architecture of the surrounding buildings, and thus add to the beauty of this part of the city.

No criticism has ever been made, that the Association has heard in regard to the merits of its plans. On the contrary, at a largely attended meeting of the New York Society of Architects, after a full discussion, both plans and the site were unanimously approved.

Our organization is similar to that of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and every citizen of New York is asked to become a member. We welcome the help and co-operation of every citizen and resident of the City and State in the carrying out of the project. We have employed the services of a distinguished firm of architects, whose reputation is international and who are the most experienced architects in this country in the erection of great auditoriums. We feel that we cannot take any chances in the building of a great auditorium. question of acoustics and eight lines is vital and the essence of the success of this edifice. We contemplate the employment of the most eminent and distinguished mural decorators and sculptors of this city, and we realize that we will have sufficient funds to employ such men and women in the adornment of this historic work.

We hope and believe that this building will be worthy of the spirit that inspires it. We feel the necessity of such an edifice in New York and we are under the impression that the success of our endeavor is assured. We desire to repeat that we welcome the co-operation of every citizen of this city. We may furthermore add that the members of this Association indivually will gladly co-operate with any endeavor of the Mayor's Committee. The names of many of our directors appear as representative citizens upon the Mayor's Committee. This should be an earnest proof of our disinterested purpose.

(4) It will interest you to know that among the individual approvals which we have received have been those which have come from individuals, as follows:

Gen. John J. Pershing, Major Gen. Leonard Wood, U. S. Army; Major Gen. George Barnett, Commandant U. S. Marine Corps; Major Gen. Thomas H. Barry, U. S. Army; Admiral August Gleaves, U. S. Navy; Col. William Hayward, U. S. Army; Rear Admiral H. T. Mayo, U. S. Navy; Lieut. Col. Theodore Roosevelt, U. S. Army; Major Gen. David C. Shanks, U. S. Army; Major Gen. R. L. Bullard; Rear Admiral N. R. Usher, U. S. Navy; Col. Charles W. Whittlesey, U. S. Army; Robert Alexander, later Major General U. S. A., commanding 77th Division; Secretary of War Newton D. Baker; Police Commissioner Richard E. Enright; Henry Russel Drowne, Secretary Sons of the Revolution of the State of New York; William G. Willcox, Chairman of most of the Staten Island war drives; Richard S. Newcombe, Chairman United War Work Campaign and W. S. S. 1919 Thrift Campaign for Queensborough; Maj. Alfred J. Glynn, Military Secretary to the Governor of New York; Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy; Bird S. Coler, Commissioner of Charities; Charles M. Schwab, Earl F. Ahlstrom, King Albert of Belgium

Among the more recent organization-approvals which we have received have been those of the New York Society of Architects, Real Estate Board of New York, Central Federated Union of Greater New York and Vicinity, New York City Federation of Women's Clubs, endorsed at a convention of 1,500 delegates, representing 332 clubs of some 300,000 members; Society of Professional Women Photographers, Women's Civil Service League of the United States, the Government Club, Society of New York State Women, Southland Society, Admiral H. B. Wilson, No. 196, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U. S.; Phalo Chub, League of Admiral H. B. Wilson, No. 196, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U. S.; Phalo Chub, League of Admiral H. B. Wilson, No. 196, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U. S.; Phalo Chub, League of Manual Man Advertising Women, American Library Association, Library War Service, Boy Scouts of America, Community Councils, National Society of the Scns of the American Revolution, National War Work Council of the Y. M. C. A., Salvation Army, Veterans of Foregin Wars, War Camp Community Service, and many posts and officers of the American Legion.

Editorials in most of the newspapers of New York City have approved, including the Sun, World, Times, Tribune, Brooklyn Eagle, Evening Sun, Evening Telegram, Telegraph.

(5) If the Mayor's Committee desires to erect some great monu-ment or statue, or if you finally decide upon the erection of a great bridge across the Hudson, you may undoubtedly count upon our hearty co-operation, and in every possible way, from the individual members of our society and from the public endorsement of the Victory Hall Association. In this connection we may say we are very much impressed with the idea of a bridge over the Hudson River and of several of the other ornamental monuments, of which we cannot think this city can have too many as a tribute to those to whom we owe so much and whose memory we desire may be immortalized.

We think it only fair and right that our attitude should not be misunderstood and that your body should give proper consideration to the above statement, as we think it worthy of your consideration at this

The foregoing is sent as the action of the Executive Committee of the above Association, as a result of its having been advised in the premises as first above stated. With much respect I have the honor to be

· Yours very truly (Signed) GEO. W. WINGATE, President.

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